STATEMENT

Performance of Central Public Sector Undertakings in terms of GDP, Tax Contributions, Export Earnings and Employment Opportunities during current Five Year Plan and preceding one year

Particulars	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
***GDP at factor cost:**			
At current prices (Rs. in crores)	1237290	1384446 (11.89%)	1612383 (16.46%)
At 1993-94 prices (Rs. in crores)	964390	1012816 (5.02%)	1081834 (6.81%)
***GDP of PSUs:**			
At current prices (Rs.in crores)	149097	173981	183661
%age to GDP at factor cost	12.05	12.57	11.39
At 1993-94 prices (Rs. in crores)	118326	133849	134133
%age to GDP at factor cost	12.27	13.22	12.40
Employment (in lakhs)	20.08	19.59 (-2.44%)	19.00 (-3.01%)
Tax contributions including duties (Rs.in crores)	35526.68	38145.52 (7.37%)	41889.99 (9.82%)
Export Earnings (Rs. in crores)	18924	20483 (8.24%)	18827 (-8.08%)

*Source: Central Statistical Organisation.

*Figures in brackets indicate increase/decrease over the previous year.

New Automobile Policy

51. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up an expert group to suggest better approach to the Automobile Policy of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when, the report is likely to be submitted;

(d) by when, it is likely to be implemented; and

(c) what steps are being taken to protect the local automobile industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) To draft an auto policy committee comprising representatives of Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers, Automotive Component Manufacturers Association, Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Ministry of Surface Transport, Ministry of Agriculture and Automotive Research Association of India, Pune has been constituted on 10.7.2000 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises).

(b) to (e) The group is expected to complete its task with despatch and make recommendations keeping in view the local automobile industry. Implementation of its recommendations will arise after these have been made and considered by Government.

Trucks produced by Indian Industries

52. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of trucks produced by Indian Industries in the last five years; and

(b) whether such production is the index of the industrial activity in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Production of Heavy and Medium Commercial Vehicles during the last five years is as follows:

Year	Production in Nos.
1995-96	129651
1996-97	155696
1997-98	95854
1998-99	80528
1999-2000	112308